### DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

744 P Street, Sacramento, California 95814



May 3, 2002

ALL-COUNTY LETTER NO. 02-34

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
ALL COUNTY WELFARE-TO-WORK
COORDINATORS
ALL COUNTY CIVIL RIGHTS COORDINATORS
ALL COUNTY CHILD CARE COORDINATORS

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[]	State Law Change Federal Law or Regulation Change Court Order or Settlement
[X]	Agreement Clarification Requested by One or More Counties Initiated by CDSS

SUBJECT: CALIFORNIA WORK OPPORTUNITY AND RESPONSIBILITY TO KIDS (CalWORKs) PROGRAM COUNTY POST ASSESSMENT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES REMEDY NOTICES OF ACTION

REFERENCE: ALL-COUNTY LETTER (ACL) 02-20 ALL COUNTY LETTER (ACL) 02-03

### **BACKGROUND**

The purpose of this All County Letter (ACL) is to transmit temporary Notices of Action (NOAs) for county use to inform participants of the result(s) of the county's review of their CalWORKs Welfare-to-Work (WTW) Activities Review Request Form (TEMP 2200). This letter is the final of three letters and is a follow-up to ACL Nos. 02-03 and 02-20. ACL No. 02-03 addressed county CalWORKs WTW post assessment policies and procedures, specifically those limiting referrals to WTW education or training activities, that are inconsistent with state law and regulations. ACL No. 02-20 provided instructions to counties on how to correct specific actions that harmed clients due to the implementation of the WTW post assessment policies detailed in ACL No. 02-03.

## CalWORKS WTW ACTIVITIES REVIEW REQUEST NOTICES OF ACTION (NOA)

The following forms are enclosed for county use:

- CalWORKs WTW Activities Review Request Denial NOA (TEMP 2206)
- CalWORKs WTW Activities Review Request Approval NOA (TEMP 2207)
- CalWORKs WTW Activities Review Request Cash Aid Approval NOA (TEMP 2208)
- CalWORKs WTW Activities Third Party Assessment NOA (TEMP 2209)

- <u>CalWORKs WTW Activities Review For Supportive Services Denial NOA</u> (TEMP 2211)
- <u>CalWORKs WTW Activities Review For Supportive Services Approval NOA</u> (TEMP 2212)

The NOAs inform recipients of any remedies that are approved or denied as a result of the individual case review of their situation by county welfare department (CWD) staff. More than one remedial action may be appropriate. After reviewing and evaluating the information on the CalWORKs WTW Activities Review Request Form (TEMP 2200), that was submitted by the client, the CWD must determine whether the individual is, or is not, entitled to remedial benefits or actions as a result of the county's review. Before issuing any retroactive underpayment, counties must review the case to confirm that there are no existing overpayment(s). Retroactive benefits must be offset against any outstanding overpayments in accordance with MPP Section 44-531.3.

Page Six of ACL 02-20 specifies the timeframes counties must follow to process claims and to mail notifications of decision(s) to affected participants. Counties are required to use the attached NOAs, as appropriate, to approve or deny requests for benefits or remedies.

### SUPPORTIVE SERVICES

In addition to completing the appropriate sections of the CalWORKs WTW Activities Review Request Approval Form (TEMP 2207), if the claimant is eligible to receive supportive services, counties must provide specific information about the total amount due for retroactive child care, transportation, and ancillary expenses and how those amounts were calculated.

Counties must complete the CalWORKs WTW Activities Review Supportive Services Approval NOA (TEMP 2212), when granting approval of child care, transportation, and ancillary costs. Child care, transportation, and ancillary information must include the time period and the amount to be reimbursed on the CalWORKs WTW Activities Review Request Approval NOA (TEMP 2212). Counties must attach to the CalWORKs WTW Activities Review Request Approval NOA (TEMP 2212) calculations that indicate how the child care payment amount for each month was derived. Counties must use the TEMP NA 820a notice to document transportation costs.

Counties must complete the CalWORKs WTW Activities Review For Supportive Services Denial NOA (TEMP 2211) when denying child care, transportation and/or ancillary costs. Counties are required to provide the total amount of child care costs not being reimbursed, the time period to which those costs were claimed, and the

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reason for denying those costs. Counties must also provide specific calculation information indicating how total amounts due for retroactive transportation and ancillary expenses were reached, if the amount that will be reimbursed is less than the amount claimed by the participant.

Counties must provide the name of a contact person, and his/her telephone number, on both the CalWORKs WTW Activities Review For Supportive Services Denial NOA (TEMP 2211) and the CalWORKs WTW Activities Review For Supportive Services Approval NOA (TEMP 2212) so the participant knows who to call if he/she has questions.

### THIRD PARTY ASSESSMENT

In addition to completing the appropriate sections of the CalWORKs WTW Activities Review Request Denial Form (TEMP 2206) or the CalWORKS WTW Activities Review Request Approval Form (TEMP 2207), if a person has noted on the CalWORKs WTW Activities Review Request Form (TEMP 2200) that they did not receive a third party assessment, counties must provide specific information regarding the approval or denial of the recipient's request for a third party assessment on the CalWORKs WTW Third Party Assessment NOA (TEMP 2209). The CalWORKs WTW Activities Third Party Assessment NOA (TEMP 2209) is also to be used to notify the recipient of the date, time, and place where the third party assessment will occur and the worker to contact if he/she has any questions about the process.

### **TRANSLATIONS**

If your office has internet access, you may obtain the notices from the Department's web page at <a href="http://www.dss.cahwnet.gov">http://www.dss.cahwnet.gov</a>. To accommodate agencies without Internet access, copies can be obtained by contacting the Forms Management Unit (FMU). For camera-ready copies of English and Spanish notices, call the FMU at (916) 657-1907 or CALNET at 437-1907.

Your Forms Coordinator now receives all translations as soon as they become available, if your county is on the Language Translation Services (LTS) mailing list. All these notices are being translated into Russian, Chinese, and Vietnamese. These translations will follow shortly. Call LTS at (916) 654-1282 if your county does not receive the Russian and Asian translations. For languages that the State is not translating, if your county has a group that comprises five percent or more of the county population, the county must assure that a written translation (if a written language exists) of these notices is provided. Counties are reminded to follow the provisions of Division 21 for providing effective bilingual services.

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Although the enclosed notices are required and substitutes are **not** permitted, counties may reformat the notices to meet individual county requirements.

If you have any questions about the instructions in this letter or the use of the CalWORKs WTW Activities Review Request Denial NOA (TEMP 2206), the CalWORKs WTW Activities Review Request Approval NOA (TEMP 2207), the CalWORKs WTW Activities Review Request Cash Aid Approval (TEMP 2208), or the CalWORKs WTW Third Party Assessment NOA (TEMP 2209), please contact Ellen Horton, Employment Bureau, at (916) 651-6567.

If you have any questions regarding CalWORKs cash grant eligibility, please contact Eden Eulingbourgh, Eligibility Bureau, at (916) 653-4992. For questions related to transportation and ancillary NOAs, please contact your Work Support Services analyst at (916) 654-1424. For questions related to child care underpayments and overpayments, please contact your county child care consultant, Child Care Programs Bureau at (916) 657-2144.

Sincerely,

Original Document Signed By Bruce Wagstaff on 5/3/02

BRUCE WAGSTAFF
Deputy Director
Welfare to Work Division

Attachments

c: CWDA CSAC

**COUNTY OF** 

STATE OF CALIFORNIA HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

	Notice Date :  Case Name :  Number :  Worker Name :  Number :  Telephone:  Address :
(ADDRESSEE)	Questions? Ask your Worker.  State Hearing: If you think this action is wrong, you car ask for a hearing. The back of this page tells you how.
	Your benefits may not be changed if you ask for a hearing before this action takes place.
You asked that your CalWORKs welfare-to-work activity assignment be reviewed for the following reason(s):	Your third-party assessment shows that your welfare-to-work plan was correct.  You were not sanctioned.  You were sanctioned, but not because you disagreed with one or more of the situations listed below:
Based on our review of your CalWORKs Welfare-To-Work Activities Review Request Form and the information that you provided, your request has been denied. Here's why:  Your CalWORKs Welfare-to-Work Activities Review Request	
Form was received after July 1, 2002.  You did not give us the additional information/documentation regarding	Your request has been forwarded to
that we asked for on  The county did not limit you to less than 18/24 months of vocational training, adult basic education, General Equivalency Diploma (GED), English-as-a Second Language (ESL), or other educational program.	County. That county will be contacting you on the decision on your claim.
The county limited you to less than 18/24 months of vocational training, adult basic eduction, General Equivalency Diploma (GED), English-as-a Second Language (ESL), or other educational program, but did so based on your individual assessment and not as a matter of general policy.	
The county did not send you to an education or training program, but it was based on your individual assessment, and not a general policy requiring that you only get education if you were working part-time or if you already had a high school diploma or GED.	Medi-Cal: This Notice of Action does NOT change or stop Medi-Cal benefits. Keep your plastic Benefits Identification Card(s).
The county did not make everyone attend work experience as their first activity after signing their welfare-to-work plan.	Rules: These rules apply. You may review them at your welfare office: MPP 42-710, 42-711, & 42-716.

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# If you ask for a hearing <u>before</u> an action on Cash Aid, Medi-Cal, Food Stamps, or Child Care takes place:

- Your Cash Aid or Medi-Cal will stay the same while you wait for a hearing.
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To let us lower or stop your benefit	ts before the hearin	g, check below:
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- If the amount of supportive services the county pays while you
  wait for a hearing decision is not enough to allow you to
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### Cal-Learn:

- You cannot participate in the Cal-Learn Program if we told you we cannot serve you.
- We will only pay for Cal-Learn supportive services for an approved activity.

### OTHER INFORMATION

**Medi-Cal Managed Care Plan Members:** The action on this notice may stop you from getting services from your managed care health plan. You may wish to contact your health plan membership services if you have questions.

**Child and/or Medical Support:** The local child support agency will help collect support at no cost even if you are not on cash aid. If they now collect support for you, they will keep doing so unless you tell them in writing to stop. They will send you current support money collected but will keep past due money collected that is owed to the county.

Family Planning: Your welfare office will give you information when you ask for it.

**Hearing File:** If you ask for a hearing, the State Hearing Division will set up a file. You have the right to see this file before your hearing and to get a copy of the county's written position on your case at least two days before the hearing. The state may give your hearing file to the Welfare Department and the U.S. Departments of Health and Human Services and Agriculture. **(W&I Code Sections 10850 and 10950.)** 

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### OR

STREET ADDRESS

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 Call toll free: 1-800-952-5253 or for hearing or speech impaired who use TDD, 1-800-952-8349.

To Get Help: You can ask about your hearing rights or for a legal aid referral at the toll-free state phone numbers listed above. You may get free legal help at your local legal aid or welfare rights office.

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activity assignment for the following reason(s):	listed in your review form. We have sent a separate notice
	about the aid we owe you.
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Based on our review of your CalWORKs Welfare-To-Work Activities Review Request Form and the information that you provided, the	
county has approved the following action(s) to fix problems	
with your welfare-work assignment:	
☐ You will receive an additional months/weeks (circle	
one) of training time which will be added to your 18- or 24	
month time limit.	
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─ We will correct your welfare-to-work plan to	
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If you get Food Stamps, we will count your leadure but not as income. It will not count resource in the month received.	
You may get another notice from Food Stamps.	
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<ul> <li>County records show that you did not disagree with results of your assessment.</li> <li>County records show that you disagreed with the results of your assessment, but you and the county worked out the path large.</li> </ul>	at to schedule another date. If we are not available, please leave a message and we will get back to you.
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**COUNTY OF** 

	(ADDRESSEE)	Case Name Number Worker Name Number Telepho	er :
			ask for a hearing. The back of this page tells you now.
	JPPORTIVE SERVICES  ILD CARE  Your back child care costs from have been denied because:  Your child care costs were covered  Other:	ANCILLA  The paym ltem	following items you asked for were not approved for ment:  Amount  \$ \$ \$
TD	ANSDORTATION	Here's wh	ny: ment for this item was not necessary because:
	the period from through		
	your fare-to-work transportation payment you asked for is:	☐ You o	did not need
	Denied		for your
	Less than you asked for (you will receive another notice to show you how the county figured this amount)		are-to-work activity because:  You were not in an approved welfare-to-work activity
Her	re's why:		Other:
	You are already getting as much as the County can pay because:  the maximum mileage rate is: \$ per  Public transportation is available.	-	ve any questions about this call your worker:
	County-provided transportation is available.		
	You were not in an approved welfare-to-work activity.		
	You needed to travel less than one mile each way to get to you approved welfare-to-work activity.		
	The transportation you asked for is not needed to attend your approved welfare-to-work activity because:		al: This Notice of Action does NOT change or stop benefits. Keep your plastic Benefits Identification
	Other	Rules: Ti	These rules apply. You may review them at your welfare IPP 42-750.

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**COUNTY OF** 

Notice Date : \_ Case Name : \_ STATE OF CALIFORNIA HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

	Number: Worker Name:  Number:  Telephone:  Address:
(ADDRESSEE)	Questions? Ask your Worker.
	State Hearing: If you think this action is wrong, you car ask for a hearing. The back of this page tells you how.
SUPPORTIVE SERVICES	Your payment:
CHILD CARE	A check(s) to cover back supportive services costs due to you will be sent soon.
Your back child care costs from have	
the amount of \$ The atta	ached sheet shows you.
how we computed your child care costs.  Other:	Other :
TRANSPORTATION	
Your transportation costs from have the amount of \$ The attacked your transportation costs	been approved for sched sheet shows
how we computed your transportation costs  Other:	(WORKER'S PAINE)
	at ( )
ANCILLARY	
As of	_ the county has ne following items ctivity:
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### COUNTY OF

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For the period ofuntil, the County has approved your transportation for participating in your allowable Welfare to Work activity.		your car's mileage
☐ The most we can pay is \$for a total of miles per	X per x	per _ miles
☐ The County has approved \$ per	=φ	_
based on public transportation rates.	□ parking	
☐ The County has approved bus passes or tickets for a total of	\$ month school	
per  The County will only pay for transportation while you were attending your allowable Welfare to Work activity:	total back payments due/month from  ————  \$ month \$/	through
Your transportation payment limit is figured on this notice.	\$/	
Mileage for driving can be paid only if there was no public	\$/	
transportation available, or it cost the same or less than public	\$/	
transportation. Public transportation was available when it took a two hour or less round trip to get you from your home to your	\$/	
activity on time. You cannot count time it took you to go to and	\$/	
from your child's school or child care. If you drove your car even though public transportation was available, you will be paid at the	\$/	
public transportation rate or the mileage rate, whichever is lower.	\$/_	
Your transportation payments will be ☐ Advanced to you	\$ / \$ /	
$\square$ Paid back to you $\square$ Paid to your transportation provider	\$ / \$ /	
☐ Other:	\$ / \$ /	
You can call your Welfare to Work worker if you have questions.	\$/ \$/	
	☐ total amount for all periods \$	
	□ see attached page for calculation det	
<b>Rules:</b> These rules apply. You may review them at your welfare office: MPP 42-750.112		

- You have the right to ask for a hearing if you disagree with any County decision regarding your status (standing) in Cal-Learn/Welfare to Work, your activity, or your supportive services.
- Asking for a hearing will not affect your CalWORKs cash aid.
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#### WHILE YOU WAIT FOR A HEARING DECISION

If you disagree with the County's decision about your Welfare to Work status or your activity:

- You do not have to participate.
- You can keep going to an unapproved self-initiated program, but we will not pay you any Welfare to Work supportive services or give you any other services.
- You can keep going or start going to an activity different from the one we referred you to, but we will not pay you any Welfare to Work supportive services or give you any other Welfare to Work services.
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- If we have told you your payments will be lowered, you will get the lower rate.
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